

What's New in STIs: Testing, Treatment, and Prevention Updates Webinar Questions and Answers July 23, 2026

****Disclaimer: The following information is current as of August 2026. Please refer to the [Family PACT Policies, Procedures and Billing Instructions \(PPBI\) Manual](#) for the most up-to-date billing information.***

- 1. Is the hepatitis C vaccine covered by the Family Planning, Access, Care, and Treatment (Family PACT) Program?**

Hepatitis vaccines are not covered by the Family PACT Program.

- 2. I had Quest lab deny my order for Mycoplasma genitalium (Mgen) in a patient less than 15 years old. Quest stated that the insurance will not cover it. In that case, do we test for gonorrhea (GC) and chlamydia (CT), and do presumptive treatment with doxycycline (doxy), and if still symptomatic, then treatment with moxifloxacin (moxi)?**

Medi-Cal and the Family PACT Program do not require a minimum age for the coverage of Mgen testing, but the Family PACT Program does require additional diagnosis codes as specified in the Laboratory Services section in the [PPBI](#).

- 3. Is the Mgen urine culture test an acceptable way to test, since a nucleic acid amplification test (NAAT) is more expensive?**

Mgen culture isn't recommended because it grows extremely slowly—it takes weeks to months —so it isn't practical for patient care.

- 4. Is there an alternative guideline for Mgen when testing is not feasible (the test is over \$100)?**

Mgen testing (CPT 87563) is covered by Medi-Cal and the Family PACT Program. There is currently no recommended alternative to Current Procedural Terminology (CPT 87563). If the patient is symptomatic, clinicians can treat for cervicitis, nongonococcal urethritis (NGU), or pelvic inflammatory disease (PID) per [California Department of Public Health \(CDPH\) STI Treatment Guidelines](#).

- 5. What is the price range of home testing kits?**

The Office of Family Planning (OFP) does not maintain pricing information, but CDPH has this resource: [Over the counter \(OTC\) clinical laboratory improvement amendments \(CLIA\)-Waived Self Collected Testing Overview](#).

6. Is the kit covered under the Family PACT Program?

The Family PACT Program covers the CPT codes for the lab portion of the tests. Family PACT does not currently have a billing code that providers can use to claim for the home test kit/device specifically.

7. Regarding the home testing: If the office sends the collected sample to an outside lab, would they only bill for obtaining and sending the sample, as the lab would bill for the actual testing?

Correct - the clinical laboratory would continue to bill for the test assay. Medi-Cal and the Family PACT Program do not currently have a billing code that providers can use to claim for the home test kit/device specifically.

8. For the tests that are mailed to a lab, is there a fee, or is it already included?

Medi-Cal and the Family PACT Program do not currently have a billing code that providers can use to claim specifically for the home test kit/device or for mailing the kit/device from home to the lab.

9. Can you share a list of resources that Family PACT covers for CLIA-waived rapid STI tests that clinics can use?

Please refer to the *Laboratory Services* chapter of the Family PACT PPBI. All lab tests that are CLIA-waived are marked with the § symbol. Family PACT does not keep a compiled list of tests available on the market, but CDPH has this resource: [OTC CLIA-Waived Self Collected Testing Overview](#).

10. I'm curious about which human papillomavirus (HPV) tests are validated for self-collection in the office. It would be nice to start offering this.

The Family PACT Program covers HPV tests that fall under CPT codes 87624, 87625, and 87626. As of August 2026, OFP is aware of the following HPV tests that have an FDA-approved indication for self-collection in the office setting: Alinity m HR HPV, Cobas HPV, and Onclarity HPV. Resource: [UpToDate: "Cervical cancer screening tests: Techniques for cervical cytology and human papillomavirus testing."](#)

11. It looks like the cash price for gepotidacin (gepo) is about \$2,000 for 20 tablets. Does that sound right?

Approximately, yes.